

COUNCIL BLUFFS DEPARTMENT

MINOR MENTION.

"The Ocelot" will be the play at the New Bohemia this evening.

The Bohemian Relief association will meet Wednesday afternoon April 1, with Mrs. M. S. Kirkland, on Iowa avenue.

The Grand hotel, Council Bluffs, High class in every respect. Rates, \$2.50 per day and upward. E. F. Clark, proprietor.

G. W. Shaw has been released by Judge McGee, during good behavior. He was mixed up in a street fight with Robert Scott, who has left the city.

There will be a special meeting of Lily Camp A.O.U.W. Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. Schleiter, Avenue D and Ninth street. All members requested to be present.

Rev. J. P. D. Lloyd will deliver the address Wednesday evening at St. Paul's church. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have charge of the service. Young men are especially invited.

Arthur L. Stevens, traveling salesman for Kingsford Osego Starch company, was taken seriously ill in Denver some time ago. He was brought home yesterday, and is now at his residence, 238 Fourth street, dangerously ill.

Jack Whittaker's game cocks and bull dogs will not be sold by Constable Albert today. Write of reports were sent out last night and the chickens and the dogs taken possession of by various creditors and friends of Whittaker, who discovered that they had claims upon the property.

The case of the state against Kate Farr and Don Overman was called in Justice Veen's court yesterday, but by agreement went over until tomorrow. The complaining witness, Mr. Wells, having received his dog, is no longer anxious to prosecute, but the court refuses to dismiss the case, owing to the large amount of costs that have been piled up.

John Smith, charged with disturbing the peace and entering a building for the purpose of committing a misdemeanor, was discharged in Justice Veen's court yesterday for lack of prosecution. He was at one time taken in hand by the police department and locked up in the city jail to serve out a sentence of eleven days in bread and water on a charge of general worthlessness, including vagrancy and intoxication.

Herman Cooper, brother-in-law of Alderman Cooper, was awakened at 4 o'clock yesterday morning by the smell of burning pine. A little investigation showed that the interior of a cupboard was on fire. When the cupboard doors were opened it was found that the whole interior was burned away, and the provisions for breakfast and all of the contents were destroyed. The fire was supposed to have originated by mice nibbling parlor matches.

One of the big motors, No. 51, was set on fire Sunday night, it is supposed, by some careless passenger dropping a cigar end behind the seat. The fire was going so fast that it was necessary to run the motor to the power house and turn on the hose before it could be put out. The motor was burned and all the interior badly scorched and smoked. The loss will amount to about \$200, and will lay up the car for a couple of weeks.

Ludovic Kuhn was on trial in Justice Veen's court yesterday upon a charge of stealing a cow and calf, valued at \$35, and owned by Mrs. Minnie Gorman. Several lawyers were retained on both sides of the case, and there was as much eloquence wasted as if the crime had been murder. Justice Veen will decide in a few days whether the cow broke into Kuhn's yard or was induced to enter the premises by the owner and forcibly detained.

The March term of the district court convenes today. Judge Smith presides. The docket contains 64 cases, twenty-four criminal, 232 civil and 325 equity. Of the equity cases, twenty-seven are divorce suits. At the beginning of the last term Judge Smith who was here a few days, cut off nearly 100 cases, and at the close of the term Judge Thorne cut off a great many more in addition to those heard by the judge. The docket was so full that the number for the March term exceeds those of the January term.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mrs. R. Washington of Denver is a guest of Mrs. J. L. Stewart.

Miss Charity Babcock has returned from her visit to Baltimore.

N. C. Phillips and wife have returned from a visit to California.

Miss Maud Hazen will leave today for her future home in Avoca, Ia.

E. C. Lohman, editor of the Burlington Volksfreund, is at the Neumayer.

Miss Lucile Hoge, niece of O. M. Brown, left last evening to visit at Emporia, Kan.

Misses Grace and Cora Messmore have returned from a visit to Sioux City.

John Delany, who has been traveling in advance of Charles Gardner's show during the winter, returned home this morning.

J. N. Shuman and daughter, Rita, of Nebraska City, will be in the city today.

Mr. Phillipsburg, Mont., this evening, where Mr. Shuman will locate.

Sam Etnyre leaves this morning for Ogden, Utah, to take charge, together with Mr. Shuman, his associate, of an engineering office, of an important engineering enterprise that will afford them both profitable employment for a year or more.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Graham returned Sunday from their winter outing in Florida.

They spent nearly the entire winter in a small resort traveling through the hundreds and thousands of miles of the state. They enjoyed some famous fishing, and both came home hearty and bronzed as Indians.

Parents' Attention.

A beautiful little range, free to the little girl 12 or under who will bring the best pan of biscuits at our baking exhibition of the famous Buck-stee ranges March 30, 31 and April 1. We then show you the best and baking qualities and economy of these famous steel ranges. All materials furnished by Cole & Cole.

First prize, a baking exhibit—No. 9 first, 10 and 5 second prize. It was the prettiest sight witnessed in the city. The little women at work. Everybody invited to Tuesday's and Wednesday's exhibit. Have your little girls compete. Three prizes awarded, one for winner each day.

Building Permits.

Since the opening of the building season, which has been less than a fortnight ago, the following building permits have been issued:

A. W. Wind, frame dwelling, lot 5, block 11, Eleventh and Second streets, repairs, \$100	500
Mr. Emil Lefferts, 328 Eleventh street, repairs, \$100	125
Charles Baughman, barn on Second street, repairs, \$100	1,000
Vine street, repairs, \$100	1,000
Amherst-Busch Brewing company, ice house, repairs, \$100	1,500
Taylor Woolsey, new front to restaurant, repairs, \$100	500
Herman Tietjen, new front to restaurant, repairs, \$100	500
P. G. Gundersen, dwelling, repairs, \$100	1,000
Cooper & Jeffries, add., repairs, \$100	1,000
Independent Order of Odd Fellows, hall, repairs, \$100	30,000
Mr. Huff, 630 Washington avenue, repairs, \$100	125
A. M. Wind, dwelling, lot 5, block 11, Eleventh and Second streets, repairs, \$100	600
Henry Riedman, two dwellings, corner of Washington avenue and Benton street, repairs, \$100	2,000
Total value, \$41,600	

Hot Red Sash.

We have a 1,000 hot red sash which we are going to give out. They won't last long. How many do you want? We will make you a price that can't be duplicated. C. B. Baint, Oil and Glass company, Masonic Temple, Council Bluffs.

We offer you only clean, crisp, snow white laundry work and best delivery service at Eagle Laundry, 724 Broadway. Telephone 157.

Stephen Bros. for plumbing and heating; also fine line of gas fixtures.

Wanted—A competent girl for general housework. Small family and good wages. Mrs. W. S. Dinmick, 217 South Seventh.

Have you seen the new gas heating stove at the company's office?

Davis, only drug store with registered clerk.

IN THE SERVICE OF LABOR

Workmen's Friendly Club Holds an Interesting Session.

EMPLOYMENT FOR MANY IN SIGHT

Committee Appointed to Investigate the Plans of the Iowa Construction Company for the Purpose of Making a Bid.

The Workmen's Friendly club met at the farmers in regular session last night. All the chairs were filled and standing room was at a premium, with a tendency towards a premium for favorable positions.

Rev. T. W. Williams addressed the club on the subject, "True Christianity as Taught by Jesus Christ." He spoke for about an hour and made a strong contrast with the ministry of Christ as compared with the average ministry of today, as well as practical Christianity as practiced now in church circles, and was frequently applauded.

The committee on labor, consisting of Hon. George Carson, mayor, and W. A. Mynter, as honorary members and W. F. Travis, A. E. Browne and B. Wagner of the club, were instructed to examine the plans and specifications of the Iowa Construction company in regard to grading Union avenue from Broadway to the Union Pacific transfer and report at a special meeting of the club at the court house tomorrow evening for the purpose of considering the feasibility of the club submitting a bid for the work.

All laborers interested in hauling or shoveling are specially invited to attend the meeting tomorrow evening.

A committee of three, consisting of B. Wagner, J. H. Kelly and A. E. Browne, was appointed to prepare a classified list of laborers for the use of the free employment bureau of the club. This is being done at the request of several persons who employ laborers of the different trades, etc., with a view to being in a position to inform them of the number of men that can be furnished when needed and they in return promise to patronize the bureau exclusively to the extent of its capacity when called upon for help.

William Moon, N. E. Tyrrell and James Carlin was appointed to ascertain all ground and vacant lots available for garden purposes on the Pincus plan. As many persons of the dollar and a few new members of the city council, deny any knowledge of the city owning a cobblestone, gravel and sand depot of much value by reason of the Big Lake grant to the city of Council Bluffs by the United States, the labor committee was instructed to investigate and attend the matter of the council with prima facie evidence of it.

A vote of thanks was unanimously extended to Rev. T. W. Williams, Mayor Carson and W. A. Mynter for the address they made on the subject. Thirty-two names were added to the membership, which makes it exceed 200.

SCHOOL HOUSE PLANS ADOPTED.

Bel & Kent Submit Specifications for the New Eighth Street Addition.

The Board of Education held an adjourned meeting last evening for the purpose of passing upon the plans submitted by the architects for the four-room addition to be built on the North Eighth street school building. The late election in the city of Council Bluffs on Missouri river high bottom, not subject to overflow. Address Ben Marks, Council Bluffs.

GUARDS' VOTES TOO NUMEROUS.

Investigation Into the Recent Election in Iowa Becomes Sensational.

DES MOINES, March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—A sensation has been caused in the National Guard and in the city of Council Bluffs by the late election in the city of Council Bluffs, which John R. Prime was elected brigadier general over Colonel James A. Guest. The first election, held a month ago, was so close that considering some irregularities, Adjutant General H. H. Wright declared it void, and ordered a new election. It resulted in Prime's election by a close vote. General Wright declared in a newspaper that the election was a fraud, but for the purpose of voting for Prime. He declared there would be a full investigation of the whole matter as soon as the returns were all in.

St. Louis Murderer Pleads Guilty.

ST. LOUIS, March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—William P. Royce, who murdered Nellie Pattison in a room in this city last November, withdrew his plea of not guilty this afternoon and pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. The original charge was murder in the first degree, but the change was made with the consent of the county attorney. Jealousy was the cause of the crime and Royce's attorneys professed to be a strong defense, based on emotional insanity. He will be sentenced April 5.

Baptist Missionary Board Meets.

TABOR, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The missionary board of the Southwestern Baptist association closed a most successful convention here Sunday evening. Sermons were preached by Rev. W. C. Rocho of Council Bluffs, W. H. C. Putnam of Tabor, J. Howard of Glenwood and Joseph Wells of Silver City.

Stolen Property Recovered.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The police of this city made an important arrest today, getting a negro and white man, about five miles south of the city, with a lot of stolen jewelry, revolvers, and other goods. The negro was a member of the city, they are believed to be the men who have been terrorizing the country between here and Signourney for the past six or eight months.

Odd Fellows Row Growing.

JEFFERSON, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—There is no telling where the Odd Fellows' row will end. Fred Dickman, one of the members of the grand lodge leading committee, asserts that he will have the charter of the Jefferson lodge revoked for going into court on injunction proceedings to restrain the committee from locating the lodge with the deal that the Odd Fellows constitution prohibits legal action.

Tabor Social Event.

TABOR, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—A reception was given this evening at the residence of William M. Brooks in behalf of his son, E. W. Brooks, and wife, who are to make their future home at Des Moines. The party was given at the residence of Mrs. Brooks and a parting address was made by P. C. Hughes.

Pleas Guilty to Deliberate Murder.

ST. LOUIS, March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Nellie Pattison, who was murdered by William P. Royce, was raised for trial today and created a sensation by changing his plea of not guilty to that of guilty. He will be sentenced April 5. His crime was a cold-blooded one.

Child Cremated.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—At Onslow, the home of O. Connelly burned and his 7-year-old child was cremated.

Endeavors Celebrate at Tabor.

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Nothing so distressing as a hacking cough. Nothing so foolish as to suffer from it. Nothing so dangerous if allowed to continue. One Minute Cough Cure gives immediate relief.

Fine bedroom suits, enameled beds and every new novelty at the Durfee Furniture company's.

HURRYING TO PAY THEIR TAXES.

County Treasurer And Almost Buried Beneath a Flood of Hard Cash.

Today is the last day upon which taxes can be paid and the 1 per cent penalty escaped. The consequence was that the usual scene on such days was enacted over again, with the difference that the crowds and the transactions were a good deal heavier than in former years.

Before the treasurer's office was opened yesterday morning there was a long line of men and women bearing their tribute to the county and state and anxious to be relieved of the load. All day long there was a continuous shower of cash pouring into the money drawer. At 5 o'clock the cash drawer had become so heavy that some of the less athletic clerks could scarcely pull it out. The anxiety to pay the first half of the year's taxes is always greater than that experienced on the second half. If the first half is not paid before April 1 the whole amount becomes delinquent, and the heavy penalties are applied. If the first half is paid the remainder does not become delinquent until October 1.

For the last week the treasurer and his assistants have been working very hard, closing up and balancing each day's business. On Saturday \$18,000 was received over the counter, and as many of the individual amounts were less than \$10 an idea is given of the immense amount of work involved. Saturday was a rush, but yesterday it was a crush. When the doors were locked at 5 o'clock the arrearage in front of the counter was nearly filled with anxious and impatient taxpayers and the day's business aggregated \$25,000.

"There is either more money in the county or else people are more than ever devoted to paying their taxes," said one of the clerks, who has been working in the office of the treasurer for some time. "I do not know how it has been in previous years, but certainly there never was such a crush here as there is today. If this amount of money had been distributed in the county it would have been a great help. It is a measure of the progress of the county that it is so well supplied with money. We now make a carbon copy of every receipt as it is issued, and when the day's business is done we have a bound volume of the whole original receipts and are thus saved the trouble of making the stub entries, which were previously made at the end of each day. This is a great improvement. The receipt is issued and which required almost as much time as the making of the receipt itself. But even with this system we could have taken in a great deal more money. If we had been physically able, the rush has kept up like this for more than a week and tomorrow, the last day, I suppose we will just simply be buried up to our necks in it."

"It is strange how people will hang onto their money until the very last second. Thousands of dollars in cash, in checks, which could as well as not have been paid a week or more ago. Others will come in with their stockings that have not been used for a month and another group will come in with their valuable time patiently waiting here at the counter for their turns to pay over their money. Some people it seems to be a habit to defer payment until the latest possible moment, and with others it's a principle to keep the county out of the cash as long as possible."

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